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AIRCRAFT SHIPPING CONTAINERS MARIEL PORT FACILITIES, CUBA

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- 1. (SWN) SIGNIFICANCE: AN ARMS TRANSSHIPMENT IS PROBABLY IN PROGRESS.
- 2. (SWN) REMARKS: A CUBAN EL JIGUE-CLASS MERSHIP WITH TWO COLT/FISHBED AIRCRAFT FUSELAGE CONTAINERS AND TWO PROBABLE AIRCRAFT COMPONENTS CONTAINERS ON DECK IS AT THE MILITARY TRANSSHIPMENT MOLE. THE SIMILARITIES BETWEEN COLT AND FISHBED CONTAINERS PRECLUDE POSITIVE IDENTIFICATION; HOWEVER, IN AUGUST 1977 FIVE AIRCRAFT CONTAINERS (LATER ASSESSED TO BE COLT AIRCRAFT BEING SHIPPED IN FISHBED CONTAINERS) WERE OBSERVED ABOARD AN EL JIGUE-CLASS MERSHIP ALSO AT MARIEL. THEREFORE THREE POSSIBILITIES EXIST, THAT THESE ARE COLT CONTAINERS WITH COLT AIRCRAFT, FISHBED CONTAINERS WITH COLT AIRCRAFT, OR FISHBED CONTAINERS WITH FISHBED AIRCRAFT. THE DESTINATION OF THESE AIRCRAFT CONTAINERS IS UNKNOWN; HOWEVER, THE POSSIBILITY THAT CUBA MAY BE SHIPPING COLT OR FISHBED TO ANOTHER CARIBBEAN COUNTRY CANNOT BE DISCOUNTED.

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